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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
PRODUCTION AND MARKETING ADMINISTRATION

Notes

June 1, 1950

Figures for the first three months of 1950 show a 4 percent increase in milk production over the first quarter of 1949, the Production and Marketing Administration reports.

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EXCERPT: "Two things are clear: (1) Our farm programs have served us well to prevent disaster like followed World War I; (2) There are defects in our present farm program that require correction." President Truman, Lincoln, Nebraska, May 8, 1950.

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The Production and Marketing Administration of the U. S. Department of Agriculture has reported that farmers put 333,541,278 bushels of 1949-crop corn under Commodity Credit Corporation price support through April 1950. This compares with approximately 346,581,191 bushels of 1948 crop corn put under support through April 1949.

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In the face of abundant production and a rather general opinion that "We're producing too much now," there is danger that conservation of our soil and water resources may be neglected, says Alvin V. McCormack, Director of the Agricultural Conservation Programs Branch of the Production and Marketing Administration.

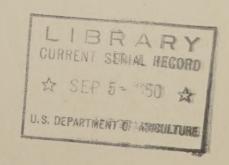
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Through April, donations of surplus Government foods to eligible agencies totaled more than 120 million pounds within the United States and 20 million pounds for foreign relief, the Production and Marketing Administration reports.

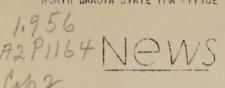
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Aiding farmers to make the best possible use of land to provide the nation with a balanced abundance of agricultural products — now and in the future — is a primary objective of the Agricultural Conservation Program.

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There will be no price support program on the 1950 production of chickens, commercial broilers included, and turkeys, the U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced.

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For all of 1950, prices farmers receive are expected to average a little less than a tenth below 1949, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports.

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Emphasizing that price supports are still needed to protect the Nation by helping stabilize the whole economy, Mr. Frank Woolley, Deputy Administrator, Production and Marketing Administration, points out that farm income has fallen off during the past few years while the total national income continues at high levels.

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Commercial meat production in the U.S. during April totaled 1,512 million pounds, a decrease of 12 percent from Merch production, but 2 percent more than production during April 1949, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports.

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The Agricultural Conservation Program is a cooperative way of handling the conservation problems of the country.

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Because trees are so important in conserving the soil, the Agricultural Conservation Program provides assistance to farmers to help them establish and maintain woodlots and shelterbelts.

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"Agriculture supplies the basic raw materials for about one-third of all our manufactured products....nearly 50 cents out of every dollar Americans spend for consumer goods and services is spent for products that originate on the land...." Secretary of Agriculture, Charles F. Brannan.

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Fewer chickens will be raised on farms in 1950 than in 1949. Nevertheless, egg and chicken meat supplies will remain adequate, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports.

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The U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced the results of its June 1 survey of U. S. crop conditions and mostly it adds up to production considerably below that of recent years.

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U. S. exports of grains and grain products during the 11 months July 1949 through May 1950 totaled more than 449 million bushels, according to a recent report by the Department of Agriculture. During the same period of 1948-49, exports amounted to almost 634 million bushels.

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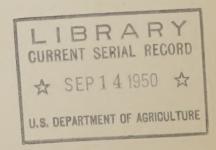
"A balanced agriculture is a system of efficient production that will maintain or improve our soil resources, and will solve our surplus problems, that will provide parity income for farm families, and that will meet national nutritional needs and also furnish raw materials for industry ... " Robert M. Salter, Chief of the Department of Agriculture's Bureau of Plant Industry, Soils, and Agricultural Engineering.

Any North Dakota farmer who has a field of a good variety of grass or legume seed should plan now to harvest some seed from it, the Production and Marketing Administration advises.

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The preliminary farm debt estimated at 5.4 billion dollars on January 1, 1950 was 6 percent more than a year earlier, and 15 percent larger than the low point in January 1946, the Production and Marketing Administration announces.

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Foods listed on the U. S. Department of Agriculture's "Plentiful Food List" for July include - carrots, onions, Irish potatoes, corn, watermelons, cabbage, broilers and fryers, hens, eggs, and peanut butter.

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Final figures show that price support was extended by the Commodity Credit Corporation on more than 379 million bushels of 1949-crop wheat, as contrasted with 364 million bushels of 1948-crop wheat, the Production and Marketing Administration announces.

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World production of beet and cane sugar for 1949-50 season is now estimated at 37,999,000 short tons, about 2 percent more than the previous large crop produced in 1948-49, and 10 percent more than the 1935-39 average of 34,569,000 tons, the Production and Marketing Administration reports.

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The Production and Marketing Administration announces that Commodity Credit Corporation guarantees of storage use to encourage the construction of commercial grain storage facilities in areas where needed will be available through June 31, 1951. Under the original program, guarantees were available only through June 30, 1950.

## PMA

In the United States, per-capita consumption of food is one-tenth greater than before the war. Farmers are producing about one-third more than the average for the prewar years, 1935-39; two thirds more than in 1910. This output is coming from only a little more land and is produced by fewer farm workers, the Production and Marketing Administration emphasizes.

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In the Netherlands, farmers use about 55 pounds of nitrogen to the acre, 90 pounds of phosphorus and 88 pounds of potash, 15 to 20 times the average rate for the United States as a whole, the Production and Marketing Administration reports.

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